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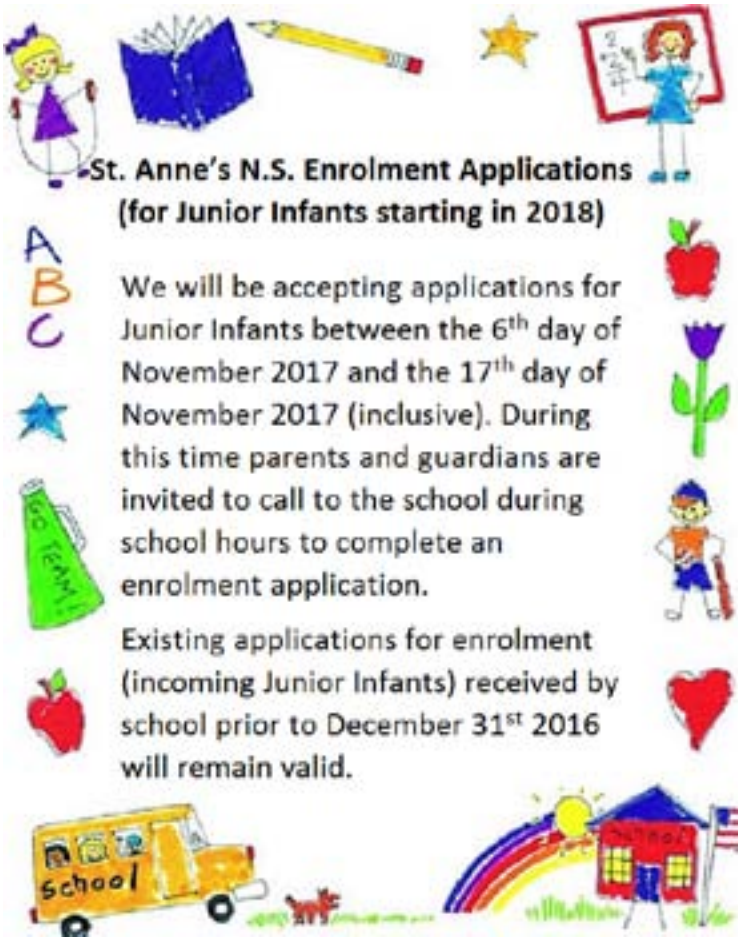
SEPARATED AND DIVORCED INFORMATION

A support network for separated, divorced, and divorced and remarried people meets regularly in Shankill. All are welcome to contact the network by texting 087 3646067 or by emailing us at listeningear14@gmail.com.
All communications will be guaranteed complete confidentiality and everyone will be warmly welcomed.

Place: St. Anne's Resource Centre.
Date: Second Tuesday of every month.
Time: 8pm

Dance Theatre of Ireland - Well Dance Classes

Dance Theatre of Ireland Well Dance for Seniors classes are now on every Wednesday (commencing 4 October) in Shankill Tennis Club from 1.30 to 3.00 p.m. All ages (from 60 upwards) and levels of ability are welcome. Classes cost €6.00 per session. DTI is a registered charity.


St. Anne's N.S. Enrolment Applications
(for Junior Infants starting in 2018)
We will be accepting applications for Junior Infants between the 6th day of November 2017 and the 17th day of November 2017 (inclusive). During this time parents and guardians are invited to call to the school during school hours to complete an enrolment application.
Existing applications for enrolment (incoming Junior Infants) received by school prior to December 31st 2016 will remain valid.
School

Shankill Day Centre Book Sale

The Book Sale takes place on the first Saturday of every month in the Shankill Day Centre, Lower Road, from 10.00 am to 1:00 pm.

Due to the shortage of storage space, book donations can only be made on the day of the sale and we can only accept small amounts of books in near-perfect condition, preferably new or nearly new.

All proceeds go to the Day Centre and we thank you for your generous support.

SOUTH SHANKILL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (SSRA)

In the Sept'17 issue of SCAN in our list of achievements relating to 1971, the 18 week struggle to acquire the 8 acre field on the lower end of Quinns Road for recreation facilities was referred to. The success of this campaign was due to the hard work and commitment of many residents but a key and vital person who worked tirelessly to ensure the night watch was always manned was James Kelly R.I.P. who lived on Quinns Road.

Jim would call door to door with his roster to put names on the 2-hour slots from 8pm to 8am ! The ladies would cover the day shift 8am to 8pm. Jim was very dedicated and persuasive ! We would like to specially acknowledge his commitment. Unfortunately his untimely death in July 1976 at the young age of 38 after exercising in the said field was a tragic loss to his family and the community. May he rest in peace.

P.S. The 50th Anniversary souvenir mug designed and produced by Fujifilm Shop, Main St. Shankill can be ordered and purchased from the shop.

Shankill Active Retirement Association (SARA)

SARA Members – Don't forget the AGM on Monday 16th October. The fate of SARA will be decided – will a new committee be formed or will this be the end of SARA after 15 successful years.

FOOD SAFETY - THE 4 Cs

Citizens Information

1. CHILLING - Storing leftover food in the fridge

- Leftover food needs to be handled and stored safely so that it does not pose a food safety risk
- When you have cooked food and you are not going to eat it straight away or if there are leftovers after serving, place on a clean plate, cover and refrigerate within two hours
- Throw away any high risk food that has been standing at room temperature for more than two hours and throw away all food scraps IN THE BROWN BIN
- Dividing food into smaller portions and putting it in a shallow dish can help to make it cool more quickly – for freezing
- When you are cooling a turkey or other large bird, removing the legs will help it cool more quickly
- It is important that leftover cooked rice is quickly cooled and then refrigerated
- Remember do not put food in the fridge when it is still hot, because it could raise the temperature of the fridge and allow other foods to get too warm
- Leftovers stored in the fridge should be eaten **within three days**

2. COOK- Cooking meat safely

As all raw meats can carry harmful bacteria on the outside, it is important to cook all meat properly to kill the bacteria that can cause food poisoning.

Which meat must be cooked all the way through? Poultry, pork, rolled joints of meat, burgers, sausages, chicken nuggets, kebabs, kidneys, liver and other types of offal, and any meat or fish that has been minced or skewered. The reason is that with whole cuts of meat, any harmful bacteria will live on the outside only. But if meat has been minced or chopped up, the bacteria get moved around.

How should I cook these meats? Select a temperature that is hot enough to cook the meat, but not so hot that the outside will burn before the inside has had a chance to cook: If you are cooking a number of small pieces of meat such as sausages, move them around and turn them regularly so that each piece cooks evenly; Temperature and cooking times will vary depending on the type of cut of meat and the method of cooking. All meat should be checked visually to see if it is cooked thoroughly.

How do I check these meats are properly cooked? When you pierce the thickest part of the meat with a fork or skewer, the juices should run clear. For a whole chicken or other bird, the thickest part is the leg between the drumstick and the breast;

Cut the meat open with a clean knife to check it is piping hot all the way through – it should be steaming; Meat changes colour when it is cooked. Make sure there is no pink/raw meat left; If you're cooking a very large dish, such as a lasagne, check it in a few places, because some parts of the dish may be less hot than others; An alternative to the above checks would be to use a meat thermometer.

Where to insert the meat thermometer:

- Poultry: Into the inner thigh area near the breast of the chicken or turkey but not touching the bone. If stuffed, stuffing temperature must reach 75°C. Do this near and at the end of the stand time.
- Beef, Pork, Lamb, Veal, Ham, Roasts, Steaks or Chops: Into the centre of the thickest part, away from bone, fat and gristle.
- Minced Meat and Poultry: In the thickest area of ground meat or poultry dishes like meatloaf. The thermometer may be inserted sideways in thin items such as burgers.
- Casseroles: Into the thickest portion.

After each use, always wash the stem section of the meat thermometer thoroughly in hot, soapy water.

Which meat can be eaten rare? Beef steaks, whole joints of beef, lamb chops, whole joints of lamb. These can be eaten rare in the middle because harmful bacteria can only be on the outside. Vulnerable people, including elderly people, babies and toddlers, pregnant women and people who are unwell, should avoid eating lamb or beef that is rare or pink.

How should I cook these meats? When you are cooking steaks, or whole joints of beef or lamb, pink or rare, use a high temperature to seal the meat and kill any bacteria that might be on the outside. You can tell a piece of meat has been properly sealed because all the outside will have changed colour

Is there anything else I should do when handling meat? Make sure to wash your hands thoroughly before and after handling raw meat. This prevents the spread of bacteria. Use separate utensils for raw or partially cooked meat and cooked meat.

3. CLEAN - Good food safety means knowing where bacteria are likely to thrive and not giving them a chance to get "comfortable". Regular cleaning of worktops, chopping boards and any surfaces that come into contact with food is important to prevent the spread of bacteria. Proper cleaning requires hot soapy water and a good scrub.

Worktops - Lots of food is prepared on the kitchen worktop so always wash the worktop before you start preparing food. Make cleaning easier by wiping up any spills as you go and always wash worktops thoroughly after they have been in contact with raw meat, raw eggs or soil on raw vegetables. Remember to clean the other surfaces in the kitchen with which you come into contact when you are preparing food including fridge and door handles, the oven, the microwave, the kitchen tap and sink area.

Chopping boards - Chopping boards are guilty culprits when it comes to harbouring bacteria. Cracks and grooves caused by knives can be home to bacteria. Wash your chopping board with hot soapy water after each use and be sure to scrub off any food or dirt particles. This is especially important if you have used the board to cut meat, poultry, seafood or raw vegetables. The high temperature of the dishwasher is a very effective way to wash plastic chopping boards but a good scrub in the sink with hot soapy water is also effective. Never put ready-to-eat food, such as salad, bread or fruit, on a worktop or chopping board that has been touched by raw meat, unless you have washed it thoroughly first. Ideally, it's better to have separate chopping boards for raw meat and for ready-to-eat food.

Dishcloths, sponges and tea towels are very suitable places for bacteria to multiply. Ideally, we should wash dishcloths every two days. Research has found that washing them in a washing machine or boiling them in water for 15 minutes were the most effective ways to properly clean them. If you've used a dishcloth to wipe up after raw meat, raw poultry or raw vegetables, then you should

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replace it immediately with a clean one. And if there's a noticeable smell from your dishcloth, then it's definitely time to change it.

Cooking utensils - Tableware and cooking utensils should be washed thoroughly in hot soapy water or in the dishwasher. Remember in particular to wash utensils that have been used for raw meat before they are used to handle cooked or ready-to-eat foods.

4. CROSS CONTAMINATION - Heard a lot of fact and fiction (myths) about cross contamination, how it happens and how it to tackle it? Well examples below will help you understand and blow those myths out of the water, so to speak!

Myth: *Once I rinse my dishcloth I know that it's clean.*
Fact: This couldn't be further from the truth. Research has shown that rinsing dishcloths under the tap did not remove germs. Remember, just because it looks clean doesn't mean it is! Dishcloths that are used for more than two days tend to have high levels of bacteria present. Food poisoning bacteria can survive and grow on dishcloths, particularly where food residues remain and when the cloth is damp. Dishcloths are usually stored crumpled up, so they stay wet and often contain larger numbers of bacteria. Of the dishcloths tested in the "safefood" survey, E. coli was present on 27.5% and Listeria was present on 13.5% of them. What should I do? It's best to change your dishcloth at least every other day. If you use your dishcloth to wipe off 'High Risk' food debris such as raw eggs, raw meat, raw poultry, raw fish or raw vegetables make sure to change your cloth straight away. Boiling your dishcloth for 15 minutes or washing it the washing machine on a standard cycle are effective ways to clean dishcloths and kill any germs that might be present. Don't use a dishcloth that smells or if it looks dirty as it is very likely that a high number of bacteria are present on the cloth.

Myth: *My work surface and cutting boards look clean so there is no bacteria present on them.*
Fact: In actual fact germs like Campylobacter can last on kitchen surfaces for up to 1 hour and E. coli can last for up to 24 hours. A recent study conducted by safefood found that 96% of kitchen surfaces were not thoroughly washed after food preparation and 43% were contaminated with raw meat bacteria after food preparation. A further 67% of people didn't wash the chopping board after using it to prepare raw chicken and of the chopping boards tested, 50% were contaminated with raw meat bacteria after preparation. What should I do? It's always good practice to wash worktops and cutting boards with hot soapy water after preparing foods, especially after preparing raw meat, poultry, seafood or raw vegetables. Always clean as you go between preparing these foods and especially when handling raw foods and then handling ready to eat foods!

Myth: *I always wash my hands when I'm preparing food so I'm not at risk.*
Fact: This isn't always the case. The recent research done by safefood has turned up some startling evidence with regard to handwashing. 80% of people didn't wash their hands thoroughly after handling raw mince, 84% didn't thoroughly wash their hands after handling raw chicken while preparing a warm chicken salad and 26% of people had raw meat bacteria on their hands after preparing food. Just think about where your hands have been and where and what they will touch. What should I do? You should always wash your hands thoroughly after handling any raw meat or poultry. Wet your hands thoroughly under warm running water and apply soap to them. Rub your hands together to make a good lather and spread it over all areas of your hands and wrists, making sure it covers palms, the backs of your hands, wrists, fingers and fingernails and rub between each finger and round your thumbs. It's this action which helps the soap dislodge and remove dirt and germs. Dry your hands thoroughly, using a clean hand towel or hand dryer. Never use your tea towel or your cloths for this.

Myth: *I don't need to wash my utensils while I'm preparing my food.*
Fact: The study done by safefood found that 72% of people failed to thoroughly wash a knife that was used in preparing raw chicken before reusing it to cut salad vegetables and 67% of people failed to thoroughly wash a knife that had been used to prepare raw beef before cutting salad vegetables. Of the knives that were tested, 18% were contaminated with E. coli and 5% were contaminated with Campylobacter. Of the side salads that were tested, a whopping 37% were contaminated with raw meat bacteria. What should I do? All kitchen utensils should be thoroughly scrubbed in plenty of clean hot soapy water or in a dishwasher, particularly after using them to prepare raw meat or poultry.
(Source: www.safefood.ie)

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Shankill GAA Club

Academy
It was brilliant to see so many new faces of boys and girls at the Academy after the summer break. The Academy is on every Saturday morning from 10.00am to 11.00am in Shanganagh Castle and caters for 4 to 6 years boys and girls. Qualified coaches are always in attendance and all equipment is provided free of charge. The cost is just €2 per child each week and there is no annual subscription. So why not come along any Saturday morning and give the Academy a try.

Gaelic 4 Mothers and Others

We are currently organizing a Shankill ladies football team. All skill levels are welcome. You can get fit and become part of a team. Training will begin in October. To become involved join our Facebook group "Shankill GAA ladies team". For more information contact Steve Davis 087 6414123 or email stevedavis203@gmail.com.
Perhaps we could all do with loosing a few pounds!

Shankill's young Dubs
Our club is delighted with the progress of our two young Dubs, Christiana and Caoimhe, proud members of Shankill GAA.

Coaching the Coaches

Many thanks to our good friend Molly Lamb who took time off from training with the Dubs to give some of our coaches a refresher coaching session featuring all the latest techniques.

Men's Adult Football Team
New players for our men's football team which is sponsored by Centra Shankill are always welcome contact Kevin Martin 086 8449902. *Friends of Shankill GAA shop local.*

Supporting the Dubs
Young members of our club were out in force in Croke Park supporting the Dubs at the recent Tyrone championship game.

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SHANKILL BOWLING CLUB

by Paddy Hughes, PRO

The B.L.J. and L.B.L.J. leagues are completed and we say congratulations to our ladies for a good season with some excellent home results. Unfortunately our men never really settled at home and are looking at a place in a lower division where they may gain confidence and 'be on the way back'.

Indoor Section

The South Eastern Indoor League are starting a new season and the following members have applied for team selection:
Ron Shepherd; A. Tyson, E. Seery, A. L. Audrey Murphy, Vera McGurn, K. Tighe, C. Hurse, M. Bannon, S. Farrelly, M. Hughes, P. Hughes, J. Gregory, S. O'Shea.
Matches are played on Mondays and Thursdays.

The situation with our competitions are:
Ladies: Liz McElhinney, v. S. Farrelly or K. Doohan in the final.
Mens: C. Sheppard v. J. Mc Stay or B. Brady and M. Quirke v. B. Kavanagh or Alan Murtagh in the final.

Terry Jackson Cup: Winners - P. O. Toole and J. Gilmore with Runners up M. Quirke and A. Tyson.

Mountain View Trophy: B. Kavanagh v. A. Murtagh or A. Tyson in the final.

Two Bowl Singles: P. Hughes or B. Kavanagh to play Joe Byrne in the final.

Alex Tighe: M. Kelly and M. Quirke or Mary Ryan and F. Bennett to play Margaret O'Neill and P. Hughes in the final.

Our condolences to the family and friends of John Connolly, a former member who played indoor bowls for several years. RIP

A warm welcome to two new members, Vera Mc Gurn and Philip O'Sullivan wishing you every success in this wonderful sport of bowls.

New members now wanted.

A message from Mary Mitchell O'Connor TD

Dear Constituent,

I am often contacted by people worried about waiting lists for things like cataract removal, joint replacement and speech and language therapies. The Government is working to reduce waiting lists but you should know about an option that allows you to obtain health treatments in Northern Ireland, or elsewhere in the EU or EEA, and the HSE will pay the bill.

This is possible under the EU Cross-Border Healthcare Directive. It is not the same as the Treatment Abroad Scheme (which covers procedures not available in Ireland), this Directive only covers treatments that **are** available in Ireland. To qualify you must be entitled to access services as a public patient in Ireland.

Most elective treatments are available - hip and other joint replacements, cataract removal, cardiac surgeries, diagnostic scans, speech and language services, psychiatric treatment, orthodontic treatment and rehabilitation. *There are some exceptions, including organ transplants and long term nursing home care.*

You don't need to be on a waiting list to qualify. Referrals for treatment and care can be made by a GP, a public hospital consultant or certain other HSE clinicians. You will also be entitled to follow up care in Ireland on your return.

Under the scheme, you pay the initial bill and the HSE will reimburse up to the amount that the procedure would cost within the Irish system. The HSE generally reimburse the payment as soon as possible once they receive the invoice. Travel expenses are not covered. Prior authorisation is not always required for day cases but you do need it for overnight treatment and complex care.

The HSE have set up a **National Contact Point** office for implementation of the Directive. Authorisation of treatment is obtained through this office but they can also help with cost comparisons and other queries. They can be contacted on **056-778 4546** or by email to *crossborderdirective@hse.ie*

Further information is available on the HSE website *http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/1/schemes/cbd/*

While the EU Cross-Border Healthcare Directive does not include long term nursing home care, the **Nursing Homes Support Scheme** provides financial support for people who are in need of such care.

Under the scheme, on the basis of an assessment of your care needs and a means test, you will make a contribution towards the cost of your care and the State will pay the balance, whether the nursing homes is public, private or voluntary.

The HSE will provide a list of nursing homes to choose from. The HSE Nursing Homes Support Office for this area can be contacted on **(045) 880 400.**

Many people are not aware that you may be entitled to claim tax relief on fees that you have paid for third level education courses, subject to a single excess/disregard. Tuition fees (including the student contribution) qualify for this relief. No relief is available for examination fees, registration fees or administration fees.

You can qualify for the relief if you are the student who pays the fees, or if you pay the fees on the student's behalf. The limit on tuition fees you can claim is €7,000 per course and you will receive relief at the standard rate of tax (20%). You can claim relief for one or more students' tuition fees, as long as you have paid these fees.

Further information on tax relief on tuition fees can be found on *http://www.revenue.ie/en/personal-tax-credits-reliefs-and-exemptions/education/tuition-fees-paid-for-third-level-education/index.aspx*

SUSI are still accepting applications for student grants for Academic Year 2017/2018. This may be helpful for students who accepted college places in late rounds of the CAO offers. The SUSI website *(https://susi.ie/)* is very simple to navigate. If you have any further questions about SUSI applications, please contact me by email or call my constituency office.

I am sincerely committed to working for my constituents in Shankill and the rest of the Dun Laoghaire Constituency. If I can be of any assistance, on any national or local issue please contact me at *mary.mitchelloconnor@oir.ie* or call my constituency office on **01-8892199/2048917.**

Constituency clinics take place the first Friday of every month, by appointment. Please contact Patrick Flavin in my office if you would like to attend.

Yours sincerely

Mary Mitchell O' Connor TD
Minister of State for Higher Education

Congratulations to all the Shankill competitors in the Community Games Finals in Abbotstown. It was great to meet so many participants, medal winners and their families and wonderful volunteers at the celebration in St. Anne's Resource Centre.

At the launch of the National Academic Track for Internship at Trinity College with the Provost Dr. Prendergast, Professor Hennessy and Professor Gill.

Recipes Halloween

by Vivien Reid

HALLOWEEN TREATS N DRINKS

These spooky treats are perfect for adding a touch of fun to a Halloween party. Get the kids involved in making the Brainballs!

FREAKY FINGERS

100g caster sugar
100g butter
1 egg yolk
200g plain flour
½ tsp vanilla extract
20 blanched almonds
red food colouring, paste is best

For the freaky fingers, place the first five ingredients and a pinch of salt in a food processor and whizz just until a ball of dough forms. Tear off a golfball-size piece of dough and use your hands to roll into finger-size cylinders – you should get about 20. Place on a baking sheet lined with baking parchment – a little apart as they will spread during baking. Use a knife to make a few cuts, close together, for the knuckles. Place an almond at the end of each finger and trim away excess pastry around the edge to neaten. Place in the fridge for 30 mins, heat oven to 180C/160F/Gas 4, then bake for 10-12 mins just until firm. Leave to cool a little, then paint the almond with food colouring.
Makes 20.

BRAINBALLS

85g popping corn
1 tbsp vegetable oil, plus extra for shaping
25g butter
85g marshmallows

For the brainballs, place the popping corn and vegetable oil in a large pan over a medium heat. Stir the kernels around the pan to coat in the oil. When the kernels start to pop, place a lid firmly on top and turn the heat down to low. Cook, shaking the pan often to stop the popcorn burning or sticking, until the corn has stopped popping, about 5 mins. Tip into a bowl, discarding any unopened kernels. Heat butter and marshmallows over a low heat until melted. Pour over popcorn and mix well until coated. Lightly rub oil over your hands and shape the popcorn into small balls. Set aside on a tray lined with baking parchment and leave to set.
Makes 10.

BLOODTHIRSTY SQUASH

1litre lemonade
1litre cranberry juice
juice 3-4 limes

For the bloodthirsty squash, fill up a kitchen glove with water, secure the end with a freezer clip or rubber band and place in the freezer overnight. When ready to serve, stir together 1 litre each lemonade and cranberry juice with the juice 3-4 limes. Pour into a punch bowl. Remove the hand from the freezer and use scissors to carefully take off the glove. Place in the punch bowl and serve.
Serves 10.

Recipe from www.bbcgoodfood.com

SHANKILL TENNIS CLUB

As the summer draws to a close, Shankill Tennis Club can reflect back on some very entertaining events during the height of the tennis season. A Wimbledon night with whites-only attire gave an opportunity in July for wistful Shankill players to dream of greater glories in the future, while the hugely popular annual Captains Day was held on 27th August with the tennis providing an opportunity to shed some of the calories consumed from the fantastic and abundant food offered on the day.

A very successful social night for both members and non-members was also held in August with pizza, wine and tennis on the menu. Another social night is planned for October so keep your eyes peeled on our Facebook page for updates! At time of writing, over 35's senior league is under way for doubles pairings while Floodlit league will start at the end of September for those who enjoy the gamble of playing either singles or doubles on the night.

Junior News

After a relatively quiet few weeks the Junior Calendar is getting busy again. As in previous years, supervised tennis has started up again for Under 8s, 10s, and 12s on Saturdays at 1pm and for Under 12s and Under 10s on Thursdays at 4pm. This is open to members and non-members of the club, with a €2 fee payable for non-members. Details are available at the club and on our Facebook page. Coaching has recommenced and Shankill has entered 3 boys and 3 girls teams in the Under 18s and Under 14s Dublin Lawn Tennis league. Stars and Stripes Under 12 league is also underway so we hope in our next issue we will be able to report on some junior league success for Shankill. Very best of luck, success and fun for all involved!

And finally...

STC club championships are currently running from 11th September to 23rd September. This is a highlight of the year for all members and the interest in watching the progress or otherwise of participants is immense. Great matches and competition is assured and we will have photos for you to enjoy in the next issue.

Wimbledon Night at STC

Captains Day, 27th August

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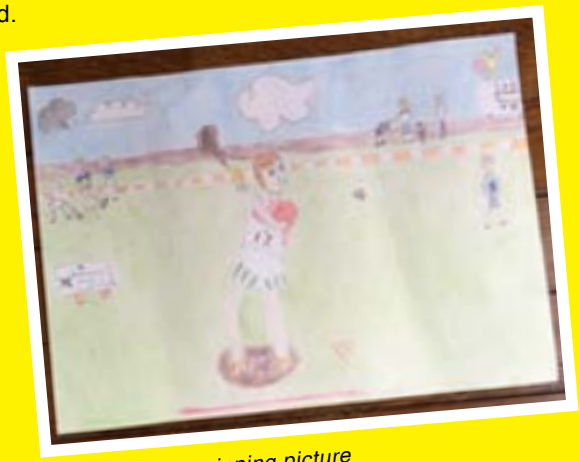
NATIONAL FINALS

The National Community Games Finals took place in Abbotstown on the weekend of 19th/20th August 2017. This is a huge festival with literally thousands of children from all over Ireland participating in a range of events. In order to participate children will have competed locally, in Shankill, and also won the Dublin community games finals. This year the Shankill area was represented by an amazing group of talented children/teenagers. We had three hand writers, Charlie and Ruby Geelon and Daniel Murphy. Congratulations to Ruby who won Silver in the girls U12 category.

Ruby Geelon National Silver Handwriting Champion

In U8 Art Mairead Kennedy drew a fabulous picture of the long puck competition complete with her family in the background which won a silver medal. A huge achievement. Congratulations Mairead.



Mairead's prize winning picture

National 100m Champion Shane Gevero receives his Gold Medal

In athletics, we had 2 individuals and two relay teams in action. In the 100m U14 Shane Gevero confirmed his position as the fastest U14 sprinter in Ireland and claimed gold. We first saw Shane win a National Title at this festival 2 years ago and we are privileged to be able to witness his amazing talent as he continues to run faster and faster.

Sam Vines threw the shot put in the boys U14 category. Sam is amazing as he is self- taught with some help from his brother. He was up against other county champions most of whom are experienced shot throwers. However, Sam was undaunted and had the longest throw to win gold. National Champion. Congratulations Sam.

National Shot Put Champion Sam Vines

Also competing were the mixed U13 and U15 relay teams. Both relay teams started out in heats on Saturday along with almost 30 other teams in each category. Both teams progressed through their heats in the morning and showed great speed and excellent baton changes to make it to the final 8 teams on Sunday. They both finished 5th in their finals so well done.

And so, our 2017 year ended with a little celebration for all those who participated in Shankill Community Games in St. Anne's Resource Centre on Sunday 10th September. Thank you so much to all the great volunteers who help to make it a success. See you next year!!

U15 Mixed Relay team Natonal Finalists

U13 Mixed Relay team Natonal Finalists

Stephen McGovern *Trading as*

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The First Irish Singles Charts Back To The 60s

My name is John McGuire and as a Shankill resident I am delighted to share with SCAN Magazine readers some of my music memories.

To celebrate my first article and the October issue I am going back to the year of 1962 when the Irish Singles Charts started being broadcasted.

Elvis Presley was the first number one song with, *"She's not you"*. The first Irish number one was Tom Dunphy with *"If I didn't have a dime"*. Back at this time there was very little pop programs. A lot of the programs were sponsored, running every 15 minutes.

Also popular at that time was the light music program called *"Music on the Move"* , broadcasted by different presenters such as Gay Byrne, Brendan Balfe, Larry Gogan, Joe Linnane and so on. There were very few women radio presenters back then. Valerie McGovern, for example, used to present as a continuity announcer.

The Irish Charts were broadcasted by Radio Telefís Éireann, known as RTE since 1966. It was the only official radio station in Ireland in 1962 and it was not a 24 hours service. It used to broadcast 2 hours in the morning, 2 hours about lunch time and then, from 5pm until midnight.

There were a few changes along the way on how the charts were compiled Initially, from record manufacturers sales to retailers. In 1975 it was basically compiled by votes from readers from the Evening Herald newspaper. Years later it was compiled again based on manufacturers sales to retailers.

Passed over 5 decades the radio scenery in Ireland has changed massively when it comes to numbers. RTE radio nowadays has nine networkings: RTE Radio 1, RTE 2FM, RTE Lyric FM, RTE Raidio na Gaeltachta, RTE Pulse, RTE 2XM, RTE Golden and the RTE Radio Jr for children.

There are many local radio stations in Dublin and all over the country. We can say that pretty much every single county has their own local radio station and some of them can have even more than two. There are also a few independent national radio stations such as Newstalk and Today FM broadcasting nationally.

When it comes to competition I would say that it is very poor to this day. The radios broadcast practically the same kind of music with very few exceptions. Even though the competition is not that great, Irish people seems to be very loyal to radio. According to an Ipsos MRBI study from last year, the Irish radio audience counts an expressive 88 per cent of all audio listening in Ireland. Myself included.

SHANKILL OLD FOLKS ASSOCIATION (SOFA)

We had a wonderful outing to the EPIC Experience at the CHQ Centre in the Docklands. In a converted warehouse, the museum gives the history of emigration from Ireland in an interactive way. We saw how the Irish influenced and shaped the world with stories of Irish emigration, from early times to the modern day. There was information across the spectrum of the life of emigrants including culture, music and sport. This museum has appeal across the generations – there is something to interest everyone. For example: 22 of the American Presidents have Irish connections. The guides were most helpful to our group and we all enjoyed our visit. We had an excellent lunch in the Ely Brasserie in the CHQ Centre and were given a 15% discount as we had been to the EPIC Experience. As the photos indicate it was a great photo opportunity!

We were saddened at the loss of two of our regular attenders at the Daycare centre in August. Henrietta (Hetty) Cully and Margaret (Peggy) Murray passed away peacefully within a day or two of each other. They will be greatly missed by their friends at the Centre.

We continue to have exercise sessions provided by our staff who are trained in this skill – it helps keep us supple and mobile when activity is limited.

Irish conversation sessions resumed after a break for the summer and Sean continues to host his group in Cafe One every Thursday from 11.00am to 12.00pm for coffee and chat as Gaeilge.

The Wednesday Club is up and running again, where every-one enjoys the social chat with delicious afternoon tea, bingo, raffle and entertainment. Those over 65 living in the Shankill area are welcome to join us. For further information contact the Manager, Jacinta O'Sullivan at 01 2826364.

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Cllr. Jim Gildea

LOUGHLINSTOWN ROUNDABOUT

Motion: "That this Area Committee asks the Chief Executive to prepare a plan to upgrade Loughlinstown roundabout to a grade separated junction"

Report: It is a long-term objective of the 2016-2022 County Development Plan to upgrade Loughlinstown Roundabout (Policy ST25). However, while such an upgrade, either by signalization or grade separation, may increase the capacity of the junction, there would need to be a sound business case to demonstrate the benefits that would be gained when at present the capacity of the Loughlinstown roundabout is consistent with the capacity of the rest of the N11. A scheme for upgrading Loughlinstown Roundabout is not included in the current Capital Programme.

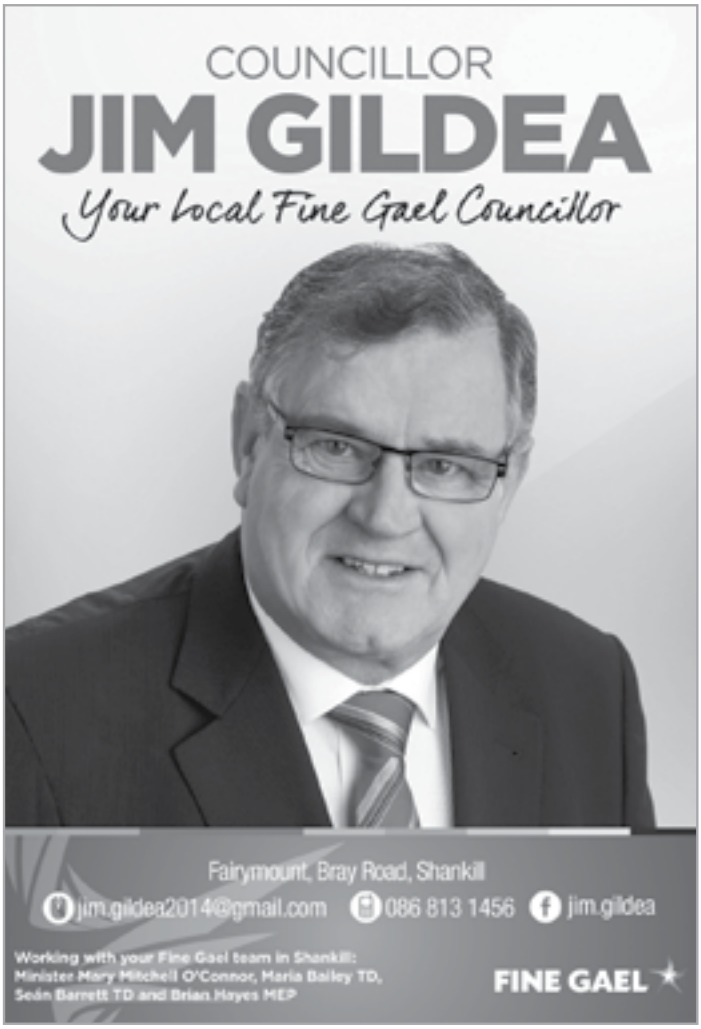
The use of resources is prioritised to projects which are currently in the programme and those that are included as Six-Year Road Objectives.

Note: During a discussion on the motion I pointed out that while the capacity of the junction may meet requirements it is extremely difficult and dangerous for motorists entering the junction from Shankill village and from the estates on the hospital side of the junction, particularly at peak times. I also pointed out that this is the only roundabout on the N11/M11 between Donnybrook and Clough Co Wexford. The motion was supported by all councillors and the Chief Engineer undertook to review the junction in light of the adaption of the Shanganagh-Woodbrook Local Area Plan.

BLOOMFIELD COURT

Question: "To ask the Chief Executive if the piece of ground to the north of the entrance to Broomfield Court on Shanganagh Road, Shankill is in the ownership of this Council and, if so, can she arrange to have it cleaned up in the short term and maintained in a good condition in the longer term?"

Reply: The area of land in question is in the ownership of the Council and is designated for future road widening of Shanganagh Road. The Council will price remedial works for the site. When a costing is received consideration will be given to what works can be carried out.



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SCAN PHOTOGRAPHY SERIES - PART 2

by John Coveney

In last month's SCAN, I finished the first article of the Series with a panorama. This month, I've got 10 smartphone camera tips, including how to take panoramas with your camera phone.

But first I want to get some interaction going. I've set up a Shankill Photography Group on Facebook at ***https://www.facebook.com/groups/Shankill.Photography/*** – there readers can ask questions and share their own shots – I'll also post the links from the articles. Previous articles and feature shots are also at *www.johncoveney.ie/scanfoto.*

And now to this month's 10 shooting tips. These are biased towards iPhone's – because that's what I have - but you should be able to do most of them on modern Android phones also. In a later article, I'll compare both types of camera phones.

1. If you see a great shot when your phone is turned off, press the Home Button and swipe left to activate the Camera immediately. Only the images you shoot then can be seen in the Photos App – login to see your previously taken shots.
2. If you are doing something else on the phone, swipe up from the bottom to activate the Control Centre – the Camera App is at the bottom right. You may need to allow this in the Control Centre settings.
3. I also keep the Camera and Photos Apps on the bottom menu of my phone (the Dock) for easy access. For more on these three tips, watch an iPhone Photo Academy video at https://goo.gl/Zmc54q. And of course, practice them so they will be familiar when you need them.
4. When the Camera is on, swipe the menu below the image screen left or right until you get to Photo - if it's not active already. Then press on the screen to set the focus and exposure on your point of interest.
5. Next, press the shutter button gently to take your shot. You can also use either of the volume control buttons as a shutter control – and these will produce a shutter sound unless your phone is set to silent.
6. It's also a good idea to turn on the "thirds" grid in the Photos and Camera settings. You can often improve your composition by keeping your point of interest near one of the intersections.
7. Hold down either the shutter or a volume button to shoot a burst - great for action shots or getting everyone in a group with their eyes open. Your phone will stack all the shots and put the one it thinks is best on top. Use the select button below the stack and follow the instructions to override this, and to keep just your choice or the whole stack.
8. To shoot a panorama, swipe two steps right from Photo to Pano and a right pointing arrow will pop up. Press the shutter or volume button and move the phone rightwards to take in your scene. Keep the arrow as close as you can to the centre line. When you are done, press the shutter again.
9. If your scene is very contrasty, e.g. bright skies and dark shade, use the HDR*option above the image screen. The camera takes three different exposures and combines them to bring out details in all parts of the shot. *HDR stands for High Dynamic Range which is just an overly technical way of saying there's lots of contrast!
10. When you are finished shooting, be sure to tap the power button to turn off the camera – otherwise it will drain your battery.

iPhone panorama of the tip of East Pier in Dun Laoghaire looking towards Howth Head

For lots more detail and shooting tips check out the Camera App Ultimate Guide at *https://goo.gl/CHGFbh.* If you are lucky enough to have an iPhone 7, check out these photography videos from Apple at *https://goo.gl/SnWg4e.* Next month I will look at processing your shots on your phone.

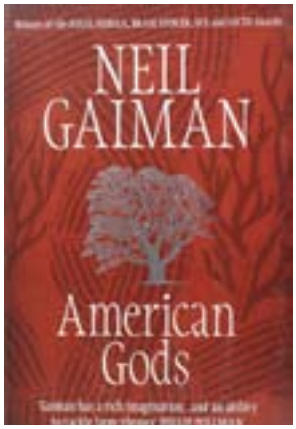
John Coveney Photography is based in Shankill. John captures high quality images of People, Places and Wildlife, locally and all over Ireland with his phone and his big cameras. You can see his shots at www.johncoveney.ie and on his blog at www.johncoveney.ie/blog. Contact him 087 276 5158 or at pictures@johncoveney.ie.

Good Reads

By Lindsay O' Donnell

THE EXPLORER BY KATHERINE RUNDELL
Children Fiction

The much anticipated book from Boston Globe–Horn Book Award winner Katherine Rundell does not disappoint. It is an epic adventure involving four children's journey through the Amazon after their plane crashes. With loveable and witty characters it is an exciting novel about survival and friendship perfect for all. This book is fast paced and full of stunning descriptions of the jungles beauty making it a good choice for all those with a love of reading. This is an exciting journey of a book and is easily one of my favorites! Highly recommend for absolutely anyone craving a good adventure.



AMERICAN GODS BY NEIL GAIMAN
Science Fiction

Neil Gaiman has done it again, this outstanding book grabs you and doesn't let go until the last word. In this thrilling novel ex-convict Shadow is left adrift after his wife is killed in an ominous car crash. He is lead on his journey by the eccentric Mr. Wednesday who claims to be the ancient American God Odin. I could not put this book down; it was full of bizarre characters and breathtaking descriptions.

I loved it, can't wait to read the next book of the series. Would recommend for anyone who has a love for fantasy, very exciting and interesting novel! The new television show has a lot to live up to.

ELEANOR OLIPHANT IS COMPLETELY FINE BY GAIL HONEYMAN
General Fiction

This book is beautifully written and absolutely breathtaking. It is about Eleanor Oliphant, a young woman who struggles with the appropriate social skills and tends to say exactly what she's thinking. She is a quirky and original character you can't help but fall in love with.

This heart-warming tale about learning to live and how to love is a masterpiece. I could not help but get enthralled into the life and world of Eleanor Oliphant.

Fantastic book that you can't help falling heads over heels for. Hilariously written as it pulls and tugs on your heartstrings making you both laugh out loud and cry. This is a wonderful and uplifting book for everyone and anyone, would definitely recommend.

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AIR TRAFFIC AT NIGHT

I received numerous representations about the noise from air traffic at night, so I contacted the Irish Aviation Authority and I received the following response from Corporate Affairs:

"The Irish Aviation Authority (IAA) is a commercial semi state company employing approximately 660 people at five main locations in Ireland. The IAA is responsible for the provision of Air Traffic Management (ATM) in Irish controlled airspace (covering some 451,000 square km), aeronautical communications on the North Atlantic, and the security oversight and safety regulation of the civil aviation industry in Ireland.

There are four runways available for use at Dublin Airport, namely runways 10/28 and 16/34. The runway used is determined by the wind direction, visibility and runway availability. The vast majority of flights operate on the main east/west runway (Runway 10/28), which does not lead to flight operations over South Dublin.

The DAA (Dublin Airport Authority) is responsible for the operation and management of Dublin airport. This includes the opening and closing of runways to facilitate runway repairs. Since November 2016, the DAA have been carrying out a full resurfacing programme on Runway 10/28. This has resulted in the closure of Runway 10/28 between the hours of 11.00pm and 5.00am. Maintenance work such as this is generally carried out at night, when the traffic levels are at their lowest. As a result of this work, Runway 16/34 has been used during these closure periods. The flight path used for this runway brings aircraft over locations in the South Dublin area. Their flight profiles are in accordance with the International Civil Aviation Organisations (ICAO) standards and recommended practices.

In conclusion, this matter is beyond the control of the IAA as the main east/west runway has not been available for sustained periods at night over the last number of months due to DAA's runway resurfacing programme."

According to the Dublin Airport website *(https://www.dublinairport.com/latest-news/detail/runway-upgrade-to-create-150-construction-jobs)* works on the runway will continue until May 2018 – 18months in total beginning in November 2016.

POTHOLES AUBREY GROVE/QUINN'S ROAD JUNCTION

I contacted the Council regarding the potholes at this location and Council's Maintenance Section have repaired them.

ILLEGAL HUNTING

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Top international designer Don O'Neill will join Ireland's leading designers for the second Irish Fashion Collective hosted by Conrad Dublin, which will take place on Friday 13th October 2017. Building on the hugely successful event in 2016, Irish Designer Deborah Veale has invited her fashion peers to join her again for this fashion philanthropic event in aid of Saint Joseph's Shankill. Drinks at 6.30pm, will be followed by the show featuring the stunning Autumn Winter 2017 collections from Louise Kennedy, Umit Kutluk, Deborah Veale, among others who will join Don as he showcases his incredible Theia and bridal collections.

Don who is originally from Ballyheigue, Co Kerry has dressed some of the world's most recognisable women including Oprah Winfrey, Taylor Swift, Carrie Underwood, Norah Jones, and Khloe Kardashian.

The Irish Fashion Collective will feature leading Irish designers, Deborah Veale, Louise Kennedy, Umit Kutluk, Helen Cody, Helen Steele, Roisin Linnane with Melissa Curry, Aideen Bodkin with others to be announced closer to the date. The show with be produced by leading stylist Catherine Condell and each designer will showcase their seasonal collections. Lorraine Keane will be on hand to MC and assist with a short special auction by Sherry Fitzgerald.

All funds raised will go to supporting Saint Joseph's Shankill's vision of creating Ireland's first Dementia village. Tickets priced €100 are available from *www.saint-josephsshankill.ie* or email *Siobhan.grant@sjog.ie* or by calling *01 271 9204*. Conrad Dublin has arranged a special rate for guests who want to stay over, with single occupancy B&B for €269 or B&B for two for €289 on the night of the 13th of October.

Saint Joseph's Shankill is the only care home in Ireland that solely cares for people living with dementia. The centre aspires to demonstrating excellence in how people with this very difficult illness are cared for and looked after. It is home for 58 people who live in six lodges with others at the same stage of dementia. They are cared for together in a 'homelike' environment where the focus is on people's emotions and making them feel like they really matter, despite living with a diagnosis of dementia.

Saint Joseph's also offers respite care, or little holidays as they are better known, so that families can enjoy a break when needed. The day care facility looks after 20-25 people living with dementia every day. All proceeds raised will go directly to impact the lives of the people living with dementia that are cared for at Saint Joseph's Shankill.

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A group of Councillors from across the chamber and across the political groupings has come together to tackle the most serious problem facing thousands of people in our County - the lack of social and affordable housing. Following the adoption of the *Woodbrook-Shanganagh Local Area Plan, 2017-2023 in July,* the co-sponsors decided to seek to develop the Council owned lands at the former open prison site at Shanganagh Castle.

The availability of Council owned land at Shanganagh Castle, the site of the former open prison, is the essential driver of this proposal, which, the co-sponsors believe could represent a model of housing delivery that may be suitable for other areas of the County and indeed, further afield. The co-sponsors are proposing to build **200 social houses / apartments and 340 affordable private houses / apartments** of all types for private purchase throughout the scheme area comprising **200 affordable purchase homes and 140 'rent to buy' homes**.

The co-sponsors researched and developed over a period of two and a half months, an innovative, imaginative and realistically sustainable model for the delivery of social and affordable homes that will place this County at the forefront of housing provision in Ireland.

This proposal was presented to the Chief Executive of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, **Ms. Philomena Poole**, and her management team by a delegation of the co-sponsors comprising Councillors **Shane O'Brien, John Bailey, Michael Merrigan, Jim Gildea** and **Marie Baker** on Wednesday August 23rd 2017 and agreement was reached to work together to further develop this innovative proposal for Shanganagh.

One of the drivers of the project Councillor Shane O'Brien said, *"We decided to think outside the box in our efforts to get a speedy and efficient delivery of quality homes, social and affordable, in a mixed tenure development based on the continental urban village design model as representing the most appropriate design for the Shanganagh Castle site."*

The outline proposal was adopted by the full Council at the meeting on **Monday September 11th 2017** and it is envisaged that a more detailed proposal will be expeditiously prepared by the Executive for consideration by the Councillors in due course.

Councillors recognised the valuable advice and support received from Maria Bailey TD Chair of Joint Oireachtas Housing Committee, Senator Victor Boyhan and Sinn Fein Housing Spokesperson Eoin O Broin.

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A "Lidl" Planning Issue in Shankill

advised by Cormac Devlin, Fianna Fáil Councillor

This week the planners of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown sought further information from Lidl, Ireland about their extensive plans for the redevelopment of the former Shankill Shopping Centre site. Lidl Ireland proposes a redesign of the main retail unit as well as the building of several, new, standalone; Café, Crèche and Medical Centre units on-site.

Fianna Fáil Councillor, Cormac Devlin stated that *"there has been considerable comment about aspects of these plans since they were first published in late April, 2017. I welcome the fact that Lidl held a one day public consultation day in advance of submitting their plans however they failed to make any changes to their submission post the "consultation" event. The majority of the local residents that I've spoken to are very pleased that this site could be revitalised after many years of effectively being dormant. There have been several submissions made which locals are hoping Lidl will finally accommodate and include in aspects of their "additional information". One aspect is a simple one which is the design of the overall retail unit.*

This feature includes the retention of the apex, tiled/ slated roof. This would ensure that the centre retains its neighbourhood centre feel and not the semi-industrial look that Lidl want to impose on the quaint Village of Shankill. I raised these concerns and others with the Council's Area Planners. This design would be more in-keeping with the existing zoning for the site in the current County Development Plan 2016-2022"

14 submissions were made by local residents seeking changes to elements of the plan put forward by Lidl. Some other concerns that were raised highlighted the over-development of the site, not retaining the character of the original shopping centre, concerns about excessive traffic and lack of parking for the development itself.

Cllr. Devlin said *"I welcome the fact that the planners of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown have listened to the concerns of residents and groups in the Shankill area by seeking further information from Lidl. I hope that Lidl will now accommodate as many of these concerns as possible and that they make the necessary changes to their plans. Lidl did this when they sought planning permission for their shop in Glenageary. They took on the concerns then and I believe they should now do the same for the people of Shankill"* concluded Cllr. Devlin.

The Shankill Shopping Centre was once home to Super Valu which was sold in 2011 to Superquinn. That deal fell through and the centre was subsequently bought by Bilaro which lodged a planning application with the Council in 2013. Permission was granted for a 15,000sq.m centre and work began.

The Bilaro group had practically redeveloped the entire site which saw the retention of the apex roof and the existing tenants (O'Donnells Pharmacy and Envy Hairdressers) but work stalled and they then sold the site onto Lidl, Ireland GmbH.

On 14th Sept. Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Co. Co. indicated its intention to granted planning permission to Lidl for of a shopping centre, crèche, medical centre and cafe in Shankill subject to 19 conditions. - details of the planning application were published in the June SCAN - Final permission will be granted on 12th October if no objections are lodged with An Bord Pleanala. Many of the 19 conditions are of a technical but two significant conditions are set out, namely the requirement that the retail store cannot open until the entire development is constructed and the need to cede 275m.sq. of ground to the council to facilitate the future Shanganagh Road Improvement Scheme.

Lidl Ireland Property Director Alan Barry said the company "has taken on board many of the suggestions from the local residents including the use of stone walls, retaining in so far as is possible existing trees, additional landscaping and the inclusion of enhanced pedestrian access" but conceded "we were somewhat restricted regarding some feedback on the roof design and multi-use nature of the site as we have to comply with the Retail Planning Guidelines".

The six month project will create 50 construction jobs and 30 full-time jobs when the store opens.

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Our Youngest Pupils

Pictured above are Ms. Doyle's and Mr. Olohan's Junior Infant Classes on their first day at school.

Sharing A Love Of Reading Of Books

Michelle Brennan, parent and past pupil, comes to the school to show the children her favourite books and to read from them. In this way, she is sharing her love of reading and books with the children in 5th and 6th Class.

Nature Walk in the School Grounds

Ms. Hogan and her class on a Nature Walk looking for signs of Autumn.

Learning is FUN!

S.E.S.E. Body-mapping: *Ms. Ellard's Senior Infants learned the names of different parts of the body and where they lie. Then they drew outlines of their bodies and labelled the various parts.*

Maths: *Sorting random collections of objects as part of Early Mathematical Activities.*

English: Letter stations: *Each week Senior Infants focus on different letters and their sounds. They sort letters, play letter games and practise letter formation.*

Playtime for Junior Infants

Junior Infants enjoying the freedom of running around the yard and playing with their new friends.

Fourth Class on their Daily Run

Every morning Ms. O'Connell's 4th Class starts the day with a run. The children run laps of the yard to waken them up, to refresh and to prepare them for the day ahead.

School News in scan

Rathmichael National School

Welcome back to a new school year. Teachers and pupils have all changed classes and a new positive energy is in the school. It is a time for us all to settle. Thank you for everyone's support on this matter.

I am pleased to announce that our football team of 2016/2017 won both the school's League and the Cup. A huge effort goes into our after school games by our coaches and leaders and we must remember that most of this happens due to their commitment. Well done all those who took part over the year. Even if you didn't play on the day you were part of the journey.

A hockey match took place on our pitch between the parents and 6th class. This was great fun and enjoyed by all. I'm not sure who enjoyed it the most. There was a lot of competitiveness. Amazing to see the skills we have both with the parents and the children. I even saw one or two teachers out there giving their all! It was fun.

The most loved event of the year for the children took place in June. That was the Summer Dance. The children arrived all glammed up and ready to dance. Sam Stott, a previous youth leader with us, led the music and he was kept on his toes by the children. The dancing never stopped and cool pops were a necessity. Well done to the PTA for organising and supervising this.

Sport's day took place and as usual went smoothly with a barbeque organised again by our PTA. We had great weather and were well supported by our parents.

Our annual Rathmichael Fete took place with numbers well up above normal. The good weather brought everyone out including many we haven't seen for a long time. Let's hope they make it a tradition for the future. Well done to the organisers. A fabulous social occasion all of Shankill look forward to.

Now to 2017/2018. Look out for all our news!

Caroline Senior
Principal

Ask a Councillor

Cllr. Denis O'Callaghan

SHANGANAGH ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

Motion: That the Chief Executive give priority to securing funding for the commencement of the Shanganagh Road Improvement Scheme (Shankill Church to Cromlech roundabout) as this section of road is in need of upgrading in the public interest.

Report: The Project Office reviewed the Shanganagh Road Improvement Scheme in 2016. Appointment of consultants, Part 8 planning and CPO process need to be undertaken. The scheme will require considerable resources in particular the section from Commons Road to Cromlech Fields roundabout which requires a new bridge and large retaining wall. The Scheme is not included in the current Capital Programme and no committed sources of funding have been identified at this time.

However, some improvements to the road alignment from St Annes Church up to and including the bend north of Broomfield estate are being considered as part of two current planning applications along the road. In addition, the Project Office plan to commence work on provision of a new footpath between Hazelwood and the Bus Stop at the north bound traffic lane near Rathsallagh junction before end of the year, subject to a satisfactory.

Cllr. Denis O'Callaghan

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Shankill Classical Music Club

The new season got underway on 7th September with Sheila Grace's first presentation to the club. Her programme ranged widely from the baroque era to virtually the present day, and she confessed to having anguished over her selection, describing every piece as dear to her heart.

Several had strong personal associations. For example, she remarked that when she was young she had virtually worn out an LP record containing the Liszt piano piece with which she started the evening - the virtuoso piece La Campanella.

Grand romantic nineteenth-century concertos figured largely – movements from violin concertos by Brahms and Bruch, and from piano concertos by Chopin and Grieg. In between was a pair of short harpsichord pieces from the late seventeenth century, by Henry Purcell and William Croft. The player was the eminent Irish baroque specialist Malcolm Proud, on one of the earliest of his many CDs. This recalled for Sheila her own association with Malcolm during the great era of classical music at the Kilkenny Arts Festival.

Much the most recent music in the programme was a pair of pieces by two of the composers from Eastern Europe who came to prominence in the late twentieth century: Henryk Gorecki from Poland and Arvo Pärt from Estonia. Both have been linked with the so-called Holy Minimalism style of composition. The two pieces chosen by Sheila – a movement from the third symphony of Gorecki in the first half, and a version for string orchestra of Pärt's Fratres – were certainly towards the more sombre end of the emotional spectrum.

The spirits were then lifted by the last* piece of the evening - another virtuoso keyboard piece, perhaps the best-known organ music of all - Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D minor. This generated a lively discussion, as there have been many conflicting ideas among scholars and musicologists about the origins, and indeed authorship, of this famous work!

Not quite last: there was time for a short encore, another case of disputed origins and authorship, from Malcolm Proud's harpsichord recital- what Purcell labelled "A New Irish Tune", better known ever since – and perhaps even then - as the somewhat politically-charged Lilliburlero!

For full details of all the pieces and performers, see our website *http://www.shankillclassical.org.*
Shankill Classical Music Club meets at 7.45pm on the first Wednesday of each month (except July and August) in the Old Folks' Association Centre, Lower Road, Shankill. New members and visitors are always welcome.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 4th October. Put the date in your diary now!

For further information see the website or ring:
John O'Hagan (087-210 9175).

TidyTowns

Shankill Tidy Towns – It's A Matter Of Pride

The results of the Tidy Town were announced on Monday 25th September.

The Tidy Districts on Wednesday 27th September and we are hopeful of at least maintaining the standard achieved in 2016.

SHANKILL TIDY TOWNS GENERAL MEETING

DATE:	Thursday 12th October 2017
LOCATION:	The Resource Centre, St. Anne's Church
TIME:	8pm

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF ALL RESIDENTS

All residents will the have the opportunity to give their views and their suggestions for 2018. There is a wealth of talent and we would like to tap into same at a Special General Meeting on Thursday 12th October at 8pm in The Resource Centre.

We need the input of as many residents as possible and by subsequent participation in the work at committee or voluntary level.

SHANKILL TIDY TOWNS SHANKS MARE

DATE:	Monday 30th October 11:30am
MEET AT:	Shanganagh Castle (Old Bray Road)
TIME:	11:30am

SHANKS MARE (The Shankill Tidy Towns Walking Initiative)

4 Castles and a Corn Mill Community Walk

Under the expert guidance of Mr. Rob Goodbody (Local Historian)

The walk will visit 3 of the Castles and a Corn Mill which will involve a walk of approx.. 6km and will take approximately 3 hours.

There is an option for the participants to avail of a special meal in Brady's which you need to book in advance – Tel: 282 0153.

Walkers have a choice of parking in Shanganagh Castle (Old Bray Road) or at Brady's (Main St) and the walk will begin at Shanganagh Castle at 11:30am sharp.

Access to the 3 castles is by kind permission of the landowners.

SHANKILL TIDY TOWNS TABLE QUIZ

DATE:	Friday 17th November 2017
LOCATION:	Shankill Tennis Club
TIME:	8pm
COST:	€40 per table of 4

SHANKILL TIDY TOWNS TABLE QUIZ & RAFFLE

Back by popular demand, we are holding a Table Quiz on Friday 17th November at 8pm in Shankill Tennis Club.

A good night is guaranteed with Frank O'Neill as our Quiz Master. We will also have a raffle with great prizes sponsored by local businesses. All funds raised on the night will go towards our projects in Shankill for next year so we really appreciate your suppo

Tickets available from Shankill Business Centre or contact Chris on 087 6750720.

SHANGANAGH CEMETERY: JOHN O'DONOGHUE

by Gabriel Conroy

In September 1966 RTE launched its new flagship current affairs programme with great fanfare. The title was *Seven Days* and its three presenters were Brian Farrell, Brian Cleeve, and John O'Donoghue. As the *RTE Guide* put it rather pompously in an article announcing the launch: 'Farrell is keeping an eye on family planning, US politics, comprehensive schools; Cleeve is watching world hunger, South Africa, and certain internal social problems; while O'Donoghue studies developments in the Communist world and the Common Market'.

Although only thirty-five, John O'Donoghue had been a familiar face on Irish television from its inception and was the most experienced member of the new Seven Days team. On January 1st 1962, the first full day of transmission for Telefís Éireann (as it was then), he presented the opening edition of *Broadsheet*, the station's answer to BBC's Tonight show. O'Donoghue alternated presenting duties with Ronnie Walsh and, following the end of Broadsheet's run in October 1963, he was given his own current affairs programme, *Sixty Four*. In one episode alone he covered topics as diverse as the New Hampshire primaries, the conflict between Turkey and Cyprus, and the demands of Irish farmers. In April 1965 he was the obvious choice to anchor Irish television's first coverage of a general election count after Taoiseach Sean Lemass' government lost its majority.

The *Seven Days* team often fell foul of politicians because of their unstinting pursuit of controversial stories and persistent questioning of government decisions. Although the constant pressure to "tone down" rankled with John O'Donoghue, he stayed with the programme until it was cancelled in 1976. During the following two decades he fronted numerous news and current affairs programmes, although his public profile inevitably diminished as he was no longer associated with a single "brand". Nevertheless he continued to win praise for what one commentator described as his 'solid restrained professionalism'. In 1978 he was honoured with a Jacob's Award, the Oscar of Irish television at the time. In a rare interview in 1987, he outlined his philosophy as a broadcaster: 'You set an absolute premium on objectivity, not on making moral judgements… It is inappropriate to push a line'. How different from today's media landscape where news and opinion are increasingly intertwined.

As presenter of *Oireachtas Report* in the early-1990s, John O'Donoghue blazed yet another trail when RTE was allowed to transmit Dáil proceedings to the viewing public for the first time. Unfortunately his call for a livelier approach to filming the TDs in action was ignored. The result was a rather dull programme - and low ratings. Following his retirement from RTE O'Donoghue lived quietly in Killiney. Not long before his death on 11 September 2014, he could be found on the nearby beach gingerly making his way towards the waves for a refreshing swim. At his funeral Mass in Glasthule, Lelia Doolan described her old colleague and friend as the model of a 'truth-seeking explorer who is modest and trustworthy, and the cornerstone of intelligent, humane public service'. John O'Donoghue is buried in Shanganagh Cemetery.

Local History Society Lectures

Rathmichael Historical Society
Finbar Dwyer will present his lecture *'The Black Death in the Dublin Region'* on Wednesday October 4th at 8 p.m. in Rathmichael National School, Stonebridge Road (Dublin Road end), Shankill, Co. Dublin.
All welcome – admission €4.

Genealogical Society of Ireland
James Scannell will present his lecture *'DMP Casualties during the War of Independence continued'* on Tuesday October 10th at 8 p.m. in Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute, Cumberland Street, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.
All welcome.

The Old Dublin Society
John Fitzgerald, will present his lecture *'The Kearney hanging at Bohernabreena, 1815'* on Wednesday October 11th at 6 p.m. in The Conference Room of Dublin City Library & Archive, 138 – 144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2.
All welcome – admission free.

Vincent Ruddy present his lecture *'Pre-Famine Dublin: a calamity waiting to happen?'* on Wednesday October 25th at 6 p.m. in The Conference Room of Dublin City Library & Archive, Dublin 2.
All welcome – admission free.

Irish Railway Record Society
Peter Rigney will give an illustrated presentation *'Enlisting in Armies – Irish Railwaymen, 1914- 1923'* on Thursday October 12th at 7.30 p.m. in the IRRS Premises, Hueston Station, Dublin 8. Members and their guests only.

A members' slide show – Irish & UK subjects only takes place Thursday October 26th at 7.30 p.m.to the Irish Rail Railway Record Society in the IRRS Premises, Dublin 8.
Members and their guests only.

Kilmacud Stillorgan Local History Society
Don McEntee will present his lecture on *'The Rivers Dodder and Slang'* at 8 p.m. on Thursday October 12th in Glenalbyn, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin.
All welcome - admission €3.

Foxrock Local History Club
Dr. Eoin Kinsella will present his lecture *'Leopardstown Park Hospital, 1917 - 2017 '* on Tuesday October 17th at 8 p.m. to the Foxrock Local History Club in Foxrock Parish Pastoral Centre, rere Foxrock R.C. Church, Foxrock, Co. Dublin. This lecture will be preceded by a short talk from Brian MacAongusa on *'Viking incüuence around us.'*
All welcome – admission €5.

Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society
Cormac Lowth will present his lecture *'The History of Dun Laoghaire Harbour* on Wednesday October 18th at 8 p.m. in the Royal Marine Hotel, Marine Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.
All welcome – admission €3.

Bray Cualann Historical Society
Vandra Costello will speak on *'Irish Demesne Landscapes 1660-1740'* on Thursday October 19th at 8 p.m. in The Royal Hotel, Main Street, Bray, Co. Wicklow.
All Welcome – Visitors €5.

Publications

'History Ireland' magazine – September/October 2017 issue', Editor Tommy Graham, published by History Ireland Publications.

Some of the articles featured in the current issue include Junette Stronge's 'Who was Sam Muguire' in which she provides a short biography of the man after whom the highly sought GAA Trophy is named; Andy Bielenberg in 'Gerard Murphy, disappearing Freemasons and the limits of ideological revisionism' discusses the Cork Fatality Register for the War of Independence, while in 'Half-Irish and all slave' Joe Regan covers the life of John Roy Lynch, whose political career during the post American civil war Reconstruction, is one of the most remarkable achievements in the pantheon of Irish-American politics. By way of contrast Niamh Howlin looks at the composition of the 1916 jury that tried and convicted Roger Casement in 'A typical collection of lower middle-class Londoners'; in 'Delia Larkin and the game of House' Gerry Watts recalls an activity that could be used to embarrass her brother, Jim Larkin, at a very critical time in the fortunes of the labour movement in Ireland; in 'Corporeal reform and responsibility' Ciara Breathnach looks at the prison medical service and the treatment of Thomas Ashe while Bernard Kelly in 'Breaking into Emergency Ireland' reminds the reader that the sharp debates currently surrounding the issues of immigration and the securing borders, especially in the light of Brexit, call to mind a strange situation that the de Valera administration faced in later 1944 as the Second World War drew to an end.

These are just some of the articles in this excellent issue which can obtained through newsagents or ordered by subscription from *History Ireland on 01-2933568* or by email: *helen@wordwellbooks. com.*

On newsstands from October 1st will be a special additional issue *'1916-1918 Changed Utterly'* which provides an analysis of Ireland immediately following the 1916 Rising.

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We are aware that some of the notices about planning applications and decisions are out of date by the time you receive your SCAN but we feel that our readers wish to know what is going on in their area. We would like to remind you to keep a look out for new planning notices and, if you feel that they could be of interest to you, go to the Planning Office in Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Hall, Marine Road and request to see the plans.

D17A/0426 Additional Information Rec'd Date: 18-Aug-2017
Lidl Ireland GmbH. Shankill Shopping Centre, Corbawn Lane, Co. Dublin, D18 KR04

D17A/0721 Seeking Permission Date: 14-Aug-2017
Robert Bruton. 1 Saint Annes Park, Shankill, Co. Dublin
Retention of vehicular entrance in front boundary wall and 2 piers for site to side of dwelling. Construction in side garden of 1 X detached 3 bedroom 2 storey dwelling with attic room with dormer roof window and velux roof light both in rear slope of roof and all associated site works.

D17B/0380 Seeking Permission Date: 17-Aug-2017
John and Linda Collins. Brandywyne House, Rathmichael Haven, Ferndale Road, Rathmichael, Co. Dublin
Permission for a single storey side and rear extension along the south aspect of existing house and rear single storey extension to the north aspect of existing house. All associated and ancillary site development works.

D17A/0759 Seeking Permission Date: 24-Aug-2017
Dom and Siobhan Hackett. Windrush, Shanganagh Road, Shankill, Co. Dublin.
Permission for a single storey dwelling house to the eastern side of 'Windrush'. Ancillary works to include the construction of a new vehicular entrance and the relocation of the existing vehicular entrance on the existing 'Windrush' private access road.

D17A/0760 Seeking Permission Date: 24-Aug-2017
Fiona & Peter O'Leary. The Paddock, Quarry Road, Rathmichael, Co. Dublin
Construction of a dwelling house with alterations to existing entrance, driveway, drainage, onsite waste-water treatment unit with percolation area and ancillary works.

D17B/0389 Seeking Permission Date: 23-Aug-2017
Marcus and Karen Wren. 17, Seaview Park, Shankill, Co. Dublin
Construction of a 23 sqm single storey extension to rear of existing single storey dwelling, installation of 5 no. velux type roof windows to existing north facing roof surface and 9 no. velux type roof windows to existing south facing roof surface, conversion of existing attic space to provide attic rooms, internal alterations and minor elevational amendments, together with all associated site works.

D17A/0776 Seeking Permission Date: 31-Aug-2017
Annette and Bernie Fitzpatrick. 23, Shrewsbury Road, Shankill, Co.Dublin
Demolition of existing garage & kitchen to side and rear, existing shed to rear and chimney to side. Construct dormer extension to side & front and new part single storey, part two storey extension to side & rear including 2 X rooflights. New velux rooflight to front. Widen existing gateway to 3.5m. All associated site, drainage and landscaping works.

PLANNING DECISIONS

D17A/0557 GRANT PERMISSION & REFUSE PERMISSION Date: 14-Aug-2017
Elaine Garrigan and Javier Lopez Padilla. 145, Corbawn Wood, Shankill, Co. Dublin
Permission for development consisting of 1. A new porch with tiled roof to front of dwelling. 2. New single storey flat roof extension to rear of existing dwelling to consist of a kitchen and lounge. 3. Part internal remodel of existing dwelling at ground floor to suit proposed layouts including the implementation of a w.c. and utility room. 4. Construction of a single storey flat roof one bedroom family apartment to the rear of existing site.5. All structural, drainage and associated site works to be implemented.

D17B/0223 CLARIFICATION OF FURTHER INFORMATION Date: 26-Jul-2017, 29-Aug-2017
Demot Daly, Knockbeg, Ferndale Road, Rathmichael, Co. Dublin
Demolition of single storey detached garage. Construction of a 92sqm two storey pitched roof extension to the side (northwest), together with a 112sqm single storey split level extension to the rear (north, east) and addition of a dormer window at first floor level of existing 172sqm two storey dwelling together with internal reconfiguration and refurbishment works and all associated site works.

D17B/0235 GRANT PERMISSION Date: 29-Aug-2017
Dario and Kate Zanchetta. 13, Aubrey Grove, Shankill, Co. Dublin
Construction of a ground floor extension to the rear and side, first floor extension to the rear, loft conversion with dormer window to the rear, alterations to existing hip roof to give a half-hipped roof, demolition of existing utility shed and all associated requisite site works.

D17B/0323 REFUSE PERMISSION Date: 29-Aug-2017
Andrew Simpson. Mill Cottage, Mill Lane, Shankill, Co Dublin
Demolition of existing lean-to extension and construction of a rear extension comprised of two storey and single storey elements with pitched roof and all associated site works.

APPEALS NOTIFIED BY AN BORD PLEANÁLA

D17B/0263 3rd Party Appeal against Grant of Permission
Date: 21-Aug-2017
6 Seafield, Shankill, Co. Dublin
Permission for infill single storey extension to rear; replacement of roof on main house with increase of height of eaves while maintaining existing ridge height; new bay window extension and patio to front at ground floor level; alterations to windows at first floor level to front to provide larger window including corner section to side and opening section onto new balcony; new external wall insulation with white Cornish granite finish or similar. New velux roof lights, 3 on single storey to rear and 1 to side of main house and internal alterations to main house.

D17B/0273 1st Party Appeal against Refusal of Permission
Registration Date: 22-Aug-2017
10, Cluain Na Greine Court, Shankill, County Dublin
Permission for rebuilding of the two storey roof to a higher level to provide attic accommodation with a dormer window and rooflights to the front and a three storey elevation to the rear, and all associated works.

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